

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "Morning Has Broken" *Bunessan* (H 08)*Unison or harmony*

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird._____
like the first dew - fall on the first grass._____

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!_____
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass._____

FIRST READING: Lamentations 1:1-6

Lector: *A reading from Lamentations*

How lonely sits the city
that once was full of people!
How like a widow she has become,
she that was great among the nations!
She that was a princess among the provinces
has become a vassal.
She weeps bitterly in the night,
with tears on her cheeks;
among all her lovers
she has no one to comfort her;
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,
they have become her enemies.
Judah has gone into exile with suffering
and hard servitude;
she lives now among the nations,
and finds no resting place;
her pursuers have all overtaken her
in the midst of her distress.
The roads to Zion mourn,
for no one comes to the festivals;
all her gates are desolate,
her priests groan;
her young girls grieve,
and her lot is bitter.
Her foes have become the masters,
her enemies prosper,
because the LORD has made her suffer
for the multitude of her transgressions;
her children have gone away,
captives before the foe.
From daughter Zion has departed
all her majesty.
Her princes have become like stags
that find no pasture;
they fled without strength
before the pursuer.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 24: 1-6

The Psalm will be read responsively by whole verse.

¹The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world, and those who live in it;

²**for he has founded it on the seas,
and established it on the rivers.**

³Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?
And who shall stand in his holy place?

⁴**Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
and do not swear deceitfully.**

⁵They will receive blessing from the LORD,
and vindication from the God of their salvation.

⁶**Such is the company of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.**

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Lector: A reading from the book of Timothy

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SEQUENCE HYMN: "Tend the Ground" Curtis Stephan



As God provides our every need,
With grateful hearts, let us receive
These gifts of love, and make return
To bless the world,
To bless the world. *Refrain.*

THE GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Holy Happenings at St. David's

Week of October 5, 2025

Upcoming Events

1. October 9th - Centering Prayer
2. October 11th - Men's Fellowship
3. October 12th - Margaret Mercer Celebration
4. October 13th - Indigenous People's Day
5. October 16th - Centering Prayer
6. October 18th - Prayer Quilt Ministry
7. October 19th - Fall Parish Potluck

Blessing of the Animals

Blessing of the Animals will take place on **Sunday, October 5th**, at 1 pm on the church grounds. This is a cherished tradition that honors the relationship between humans and animals. It is often celebrated honoring the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. All animals and their humans are invited. If you have a shy or active dog, cat, snake, turtle, etc., who may not play well with other animals, please stay near your car. The blessing will come to you. You are also invited to bring cherished pictures of animals that have passed.

Healing House - October Outreach

St. David's October outreach will support Healing House, located in Leesburg, VA. Collections of pet supplies can be dropped off in the narthex on Sundays through October 13th and placed in the doghouse located there. Healing House offers a variety of programs to meet the needs of children with therapy dogs. Sessions with therapy dogs supplement preexisting therapy, social clubs for young teens, summer camps, or provide an opportunity to spend time with some canine companions.

Margaret Mercer Celebration and St. David's History

This celebration will be on **October 12th**, during the "30 Good Minutes" for the day, right after service in the Sanctuary. We will celebrate Margaret Mercer's legacy at St. David's and how we continue her mission as we grow St. David's Episcopal Church and School and learn more about St David's history as well!

Fall Parish Potluck Lunch

Our Parish Potluck will be on **October 19th**, following the service. This will be our third Parish potluck of 2025. Keep an eye out for more details and a QR code/link for signups coming soon!

Baking with the Bible

Baking with the Bible takes place on the 4th Wednesday of the month (unless otherwise noted) at 4 pm via St. David's Facebook Live. Each month, we explore a bible story with hands-on learning through baking, always making enough to share with your neighbors. Join us on Wednesday, October 22nd, at 4 pm to make Pumpkin Bread and talk about giving back. We will read the book *The Pumpkin Patch Parable* by Liz Curtis Higgs. Questions? Contact Maureen at mcarey@sdlife.org. The link can be accessed on the website www.sdlife.org and on YouTube.

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Prayer List

Pray for those who suffer in body, mind or spirit: Grace, Fred W., Mathew, Chech and Sabina, Andrea Nelson, The DeVries Family, H.L. Norwich, Peg Nugent, Jim Nugent, Wilma and the Colon Family, Sandy and The Martin Family, The Family of Everett Clowes, Dotty, Pat, Fred C, The Family of Marie McCann, David, Isaiah, Judah, The Stone Family, Richard, The Capps family, The Solomon family, Erin and Vinnie, Peter, Richard and the McCoy family, Erin, Maurice, Michael, Bob, Peter, the Linden Family, Jean-Marie, the Frank Family, the Elliot family, Cheryl, Norma, Amy, Baby Miles Gray, The Gray Family, Winston, Catherine, Ben, Sarah, Thomas, Connor, John, Michele, Beth, Zachary, and Akachi. We pray for the deceased, Ofelia, and our clergy, vestry, ministries, church staff, school staff, parents, and children. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.